

STIKEMAN ELLIOTTREMARKSAllowed Claims

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowability of claims 15-16 and 41-42.

Allowable Claims

The Examiner indicates that claims 3-7, 15-16 and 41-42 are allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In lieu of rewriting claims 3-7, Applicant has amended claim 2 (see below) upon which claims 3-7.

Claims 15-16 are already independent format and have been allowed as indicated above. Therefore, Applicant submits that claims 41-42 which depend on claims 15 and 16 respectively, ought to be allowable as well.

Rejected Claims

Claims 2, 8-14, 17, 19, 23, 25-40 and 43 have been rejected as not complying with 35 U.S.C §101 for not providing a real world result.

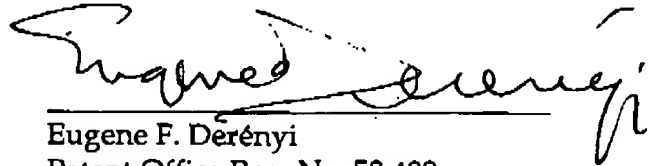
Independent claim 2 recites in Step (c) the step of "generating a first weighted sum". Claim 2 has been amended to stipulate that the first weighted sum is "usual in classifying said Internet object". Applicant submits that generating a first weighted sum that is useable in classifying an Internet object is a real world result. All of the rejected claims except for claim 43 depend upon claim 2 and Applicant submits that these claims are allowable along with claim 2.

Independent claim 17 has been amended to recite the step of "providing a classification for the Internet object." Applicant submits that providing a classification is a real world result. Claim 43 depends on claim 17 and Applicant therefore submits that it is allowable along with claim 17.

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In view of the above submission, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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